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Prices were unchanged in all areas. The market tone was generally steady entering the weekend. Demand ranged light to fairly good, slightly better where features were in progress or planned for next week. Supplies were adequate to instances available for trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were sufficient to available for the slow to at times moderate demand. Breaking schedules for next week were mostly full-time. Spent hen availability was at least adequate for the light to fair at best demand. Processing schedules for the upcoming week were reported as normal.

NORTH ATLANTIC In Boston, prices were unchanged to 1 cent higher on all sizes. In Philadelphia and New England, prices remained unchanged. The market tone was generally steady entering the weekend. Demand ranged light to moderate, better where features were planned for the upcoming week. Supplies were adequate to instances available for current trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were about adequate to adequate for the light demand. Light type fowl were at least adequate for the light to fair demand. Processing schedules were reported as normal for next week.

NEW YORK Prices ended the week unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was steady entering the weekend. Demand was light to moderate, better where feature activity was planned or in progress. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for current needs.

MIDWEST Prices remained unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady. Retail demand was mixed, usually slow to fairly good with planned features for the upcoming holiday sparking extra interest in certain areas. Food service movement was about moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to available. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Demand was slow to at times moderate for the fully adequate to available offerings. Additional trading was very quiet and buyers in need of product were paying the low side of the quote. Floor stocks were closely balanced to usually adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment about steady.

CHICAGO Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady. Retail and food service demand light to moderate, best where features are planned or in progress. Supplies adequate.

SOUTHERN Prices were unchanged on all sizes. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending unchanged. The market tone was generally steady. Demand was light to moderate, slightly better where features were in progress or planned. Supplies were mostly adequate for trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were about adequate to adequate for the irregular demand. Light type fowl were at least adequate and demand was fair at best.

WEST COAST Prices unchanged. The market tone was generally steady with asking prices for next week unchanged to 2 cents higher on large, unchanged on the balance. Retailer demand fairly good. Offerings adequate.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST CITIES			
Boston (Brown)	115-118	106-109	74-77
New York	84-88	82-86	70-74
Philadelphia	82-86	81-84	69-72
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	74-79	72-75	61-64
Jackson (1)	75-77	71-73	59-61
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	83-93	80-90	67-77
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	74-78	72-76	63-67
Detroit (2)	70-75	69-73	60-67
Major Ohio Cities (2)	72-76	71-74	62-64
Major Wisconsin Cities	73-80	72-78	62-67
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	91-93	87-90	75-77
Southern California (Grade AA)(4)	95-101	93-96	84-87
California (Grade AA) (1) (3)	112	106	97
(1) - Prices reported weekly	(3) - Reported Invoice prices		
(2) - Delivered Warehouse	(4) - Prices to Retailers		

CALIFORNIA EGGS Prices unchanged. The market tone was steady with asking prices for next week unchanged on all sizes. Retailer demand fairly good. Offerings adequate. Small benchmark price 77. Ads in Southern California: major-large 18 pack 2 for \$3.

CALIFORNIA California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	117
EXTRA LARGE	112
LARGE	106
MEDIUM	97

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	97-107
EXTRA LARGE	95-101
LARGE	93-96
MEDIUM	84-87

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	239-299
EXTRA LARGE	229-299
LARGE	199
MEDIUM	179

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices unchanged. Demand was slow to at times moderate for the fully adequate to available offerings. Additional trading was very quiet and buyers in need of product were paying the low side of the quote. Floor stocks were closely balanced to usually adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment about steady.
PRICES PAID TO 11:00 A.M., MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
NEST RUN	41-44
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	29-33
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI	

EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK Prices remained the same when compared to early week's trading. Trade sentiment was generally steady at current price levels, however buyers continued to monitor further market developments. Supplies were about adequate to adequate for the light and unaggressive demand. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending November 9, 2002 were 10 percent less than the previous week and 1 percent less than a year ago.
CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	38-44	40-43
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	26-36	27-31
EASTERN REGION AREA:		
AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV		

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION - W/E -09-Nov-02 (LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,158,435	28,044	10,206	5,642	1,934	4,105
PW	1,190,732	28,985	10,792	5,869	2,105	4,115
LY	1,160,087	27,754	10,858	5,593	2,502	4,172
% CHG PW	-3	-3	-5	-4	-8	0
% CHG LY	0	1	-6	1	-23	-2
2002	54,468,404	1,270,079	522,617	281,124	127,848	193,038
2001	52,134,862	1,184,973	522,162	279,506	115,559	186,091
% CHG YTD	4	7	0	1	11	4

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK	LAST YEAR
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -			
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	41.43	41.79	41.70
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	37.89	38.33	38.10

NATIONAL LIQUID Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 74 to 85 cents fob with no pasteurized whites reported. Trade sentiment was steady to barley steady for for whole egg, whites, and yolk. Offerings were fully adequate to available for all products with demand slow to at times moderate. Breaking stock supplies were fully adequate to available with prices unchanged to slightly higher when compared to last week's reported prices.
Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00AM Friday 15 November, 2002 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK
WHOLE	13	36-40	37.46	-1.47
WHITES	9	10-17.5	13.22	-.60
YOLKS	8	82-86	83.56	-.77

EASTERN REGION FROZEN Mostly prices were slightly lower on sugar yolks, and unchanged on the balance of items when compared to previous week's trading. The market tone was reported as steady to cautiously steady. Demand was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate for immediate trade needs. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending November 9, 2002 were 10% lower than the previous week and 4% less than a year ago.
WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE
WHOLE	44-51	46-48	54-58
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR		74-90
WHITES	21-32	22-24	28-42
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	85-92	86-90	91-98
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	82-86	84-86	87-95
(/) - WHOLE PLUS YOLK PLUS SWEETENER, GENERALLY 28-32% EGG SOLIDS.			

CENTRAL REGION FROZEN All frozen prices ranged unchanged. Trade sentiment was mostly steady for all frozen products. Offerings were adequate for the moderate to fairly good demand. Buyers only purchased product on an as needed basis. Nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged to slightly higher compared to last week.
WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	46-49	46-47
WHITES	22-32	22-24
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	87-91	88-91
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	84-88	84-86

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN Prices unchanged. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending 11/9 was unchanged from the previous week. Demand seasonally good with freezer stocks adequate.
WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB. CONTAINERS)

	RANGE
WHOLE	53-56
WHITES	28-31
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	94-97
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	90-93

NATIONAL DRIED EGG REPORT Mostly prices were irregular on albumen, balance of items were unchanged when compared to last week's trading. The market tone was steady to about steady on most items. Offerings were sufficient for trade needs. Demand was moderate, with light to fair trading being reported. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending November 09, 2002 was 8% less than last week and 23% less than the same week a year ago. The overall, total year to date dried egg produced was 11% higher than last year.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, DOLLARS PER LB., IN CONTAINERS, TRUCKLOT AND LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT VOLUMES.

WHOLE	1.60-2.00	MOSTLY 1.65-1.80
YOLKS	1.94-2.30	MOSTLY 2.00-2.05
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	1.51-2.05	MOSTLY 1.65-1.70
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.28-1.40	MOSTLY 1.35-1.40

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES WEEKLY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR NOV 08, 2002-NOV 14, 2002

CURRENT LOADS								FUTURE LOADS								TOTAL LOADS							
122.25								66.50								188.75							
SE				NE				MW				SC				NW				SW			
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS								
GNR W 1	59.30	61.20	58.14	58.75	56.00	56.00	44.50	GNR W 1	58.50	61.00	—	—	—	—	9.00								
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.00	GL W J	—	—	—	—	—	63.00	2.00								
GNR BR 1	—	—	45.25	46.50	—	—	5.00	GL W XL	61.00	60.50	—	—	—	61.32	18.00								
GL W J	—	—	—	—	51.63	—	2.25	GL W LG	—	65.03	—	—	—	63.92	35.00								
GL W XL	—	73.50	68.29	68.58	57.31	—	46.75	GL W MD	49.50	52.67	—	—	—	52.88	8.50								
GL W LG	—	68.67	63.53	63.71	57.96	—	59.75	GL W SM	—	28.00	—	—	19.00	—	1.00								
GL W MD	—	54.00	53.35	54.45	43.73	59.28	24.00	GL BR XL	—	—	—	—	—	75.00	.50								
GL W SM	26.75	28.50	26.50	28.00	29.00	29.50	3.75	GL BR LG	—	—	—	—	—	74.00	.50								
GL BR J	—	—	—	79.00	—	—	.25	NRBS - 48	—	46.00	—	—	—	—	1.00								
GL BR XL	—	—	61.00	76.00	—	—	.75																
GL BR LG	—	—	60.00	74.00	—	—	1.00																
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	—	45.80	14.00																
NRBS - 48	—	—	39.00	40.00	43.50	44.57	15.00																
NRBS - 39	—	—	20.00	22.00	—	32.50	8.25																
NRBS - 36	—	—	20.00	33.00	27.00	—	1.25																

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

EASTERN LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices were unchanged. Offerings were at least adequate. Demand was light to fair at best and generally unaggressive. Processing schedules were normal. Movement of finished product was at least moderate. The undertone was generally steady.

NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Prices continued unchanged. Offerings were at least adequate to fully adequate with demand seasonally moderate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN Trading was TFEWR. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of light fowl. Schedules were reduced but as desired. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN Plants worked desired schedules. Offerings adequate.

LIVE TYPE HENS

CENTS PER LB., DAY OF NEGOTIATION, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS

	LIGHT	RANGE	MAJORITY
Eastern Light	0-0	(1)	
Eastern Light	0-0	(2)	
So. Central Light	TFEWR	(2)	
No. Central Light	TFEWR	(1)	
No. Central Light	0	(2)	
(1) Buyer Loading (2) Producer Loading			
(TFEWR) TOO FEW TO REPORT			

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 15-NOV-02
FEDERAL-STATE AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS,
GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	85.50	83.64	71.63
SOUTHERN	81.31	78.23	66.32
MIDWEST	74.70	73.01	64.06
WESTERN	102.16	97.78	88.36
TWELVE METRO AREAS	88.65	85.80	75.56

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS

NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET Majority prices trended slightly higher on both light and heavy canners when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies and offerings were in close balance and well cleared. The undertone was at least steady to fully steady.

LIGHT CANNER HENS

(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)

20-26 MAJORITY 21.5-22

CENTS/POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED

LIGHT CANNER HENS

(LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)

21.5-27.5 MAJORITY 23.5-23.75

HEAVY CANNER HENS

(WITHOUT NECKS)

30-36 MAJORITY 31.5-32.5

HEAVY CANNER HENS

(WITHOUT NECKS)

32-38 MAJORITY 33-34

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION W/E 09-Nov-02

(PRELIMINARY)

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
(THOUSANDS)			
HEAD	1,438	1,548	2,986
LAST WEEK	1,697	1,538	3,235
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,844	1,431	3,275
TO-DATE/2002	78,796	63,839	142,635
TO-DATE/2001	80,516	60,828	141,344

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
(THOUSANDS)			
HEAD	220	0	220
LAST WEEK	313	3	316
SAME WEEK YR AGO	148	0	148
TO-DATE/2002	13,638	275	13,913
TO-DATE/2001	18,635	279	18,914

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
(THOUSANDS)			
HEAD	1,658	1,548	3,206
LAST WEEK	2,010	1,541	3,551
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,992	1,431	3,423
TO-DATE/2002	92,434	64,114	156,548
TO-DATE/2001	99,151	61,107	160,258

Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade**U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending November 02, 2002	Year-To-Date			
	2002	2001/1	2002	2001
Liquid	407	395	22,058	11,105
Frozen	0	0	21	78
Dried	0	0	744	240
Total	407	395	22,823	11,423

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)

Week Ending November 02, 2002	Year-To-Date			
	2002	2001/1	2002	2001
Liquid	128	93	5,327	4,687
Frozen	10	48	2,988	1,391
Dried	80	6	4,525	492
Total	218	147	12,840	6,570

Inspected Shell Eggs**U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending November 02, 2002	Year-To-Date			
	2002	2001 /1	2002	2001
Jumbo	0	0	1,596	87
Extra Large	2,657	1,080	38,212	59,492
Large	1,900	2,780	112,667	117,998
Medium	1,530	1,230	43,391	39,508
Ungraded	5,940	14,190	305,795	356,450
Misc	0	1,470	14,797	69,614
Total	12,027	20,750	516,458	643,149

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, LOOSE, AT FARM (CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS).

CENTS PER DOZEN	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	53-56	45-49	16-19

DETROIT PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE. CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
76-86	70-73	67-72	60-64	31-35

NEW ENGLAND PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
122-125	97-100	88-91	56-59	25-28

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS -SELECTED STGE CENTERS (INCL GOVT STOCKS)
(IN THOUSANDS)

	FREGS	TURKS	POP
	LBS	LBS	LBS
AM 11/11/02	2,425	172,715	80,204
AM 11/01/02	2,384	178,029	77,841
CHG	41	-5314	2363
PCT CHG	2%	-3%	3%

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS

W/E 09-Nov-02

SELECTED	CW	PW	PCT CHG	
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSANDS		PW	LY
ATLANTA	24.7	23.3	6	7
BOSTON	3.5	3.2	9	-3
CHICAGO	54.2	55.3	-2	13
DETROIT	30.3	32.6	-7	-21
KANSAS CITY	3.6	4.4	-18	-59
LOS ANGELES	83.7	77.6	8	-31
NEW ORLEANS	14.7	13.0	13	55
NEW YORK	37.9	33.5	13	4
ST. LOUIS	16.7	15.8	6	8
SAN FRANCISCO	22.9	23.0	0	-12
TOTAL	292.2	281.7	4	-11
4 WK MVG AVG	276.1			

COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT

W/E 09-Nov-02

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	241.0	2	10
E.N. CENTRAL	572.2	3	5
W.N. CENTRAL	284.6	-3	2
S. ATLANTIC	188.8	4	-1
S. CENTRAL	93.6	1	11
WEST	188.0	-1	-12
TOTAL	1568.2	1	2
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		87	86

NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT, NOV 12, 2002.PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS
DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	129	120	88	58
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	121-125	112-116	80-84	50-54
MOSTLY	123-124	114-115	82-83	52-53
RHODE ISLAND	128-132	119-123	87-91	57-61
MOSTLY	128	119	87	57
VERMONT	129-132	120-123	89-91	-
MOSTLY	132	123	91	-

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